MINUTES TOWN OF GROTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION JUNE 20, 2017 - 7:00 P.M. GROTON TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

Members Present: Brady, Moriarty

Alternates Present: Levenson

Absent: Brewer, Everett, Somers

Staff: Quinn, Galetta

Chairperson Moriarty called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and sat Levenson for Somers.

MOTION: To waive the reading of the hearing procedure.

Motion made by Brady, seconded by Levenson, so voted unanimously.

Brady read the call of the hearing.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

HDC 17-26 – 15 West Main Street; Steamboat Wharf Company LLC, owner; James Verni, applicant; Signage. PIN #261918411742 0050

James Verni, presented to the Commission regarding signage for his store Trove located at 15 West Main Street, which is owned by Steamboat Wharf Company LLC. He is proposing to replace the existing bracket with a custom made steel, fixed bracket. The sign is round and will have black lettering on a white background.

The following exhibits were presented:

- Sign design
- Bracket design
- Photographs

Moriarty asked for comments in favor or against the application and there were none. The public hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

II. DELIBERATION ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC HEARING

HDC 17-26 – 15 West Main Street

MOTION: To grant a Certificate of Appropriateness as submitted.

Motion made by Levenson seconded by Moriarty, so voted unanimously. Issued Certificate of Appropriateness #2110.

III. PRE-APPLICATION HEARINGS

Architect Peter Springsteel appeared before the Commission on behalf of Bill Everett the owner of 1 Prospect Street. He proposing is for a ramp from the paved driveway area to

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the door area. The door area will be expanded a little to accept the ramp. The ramp will have a picket railing with a cap on top. The plan is to use all cedar wood. The ramp will be low to the ground and have a gentle slope.

IV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Staff noted that a public meeting will be held on Thursday, June 22, 2017 regarding Mystic Education Center (MEC) Redevelopment. The state owns the property and is partnering with the town to market it. Staff reported that there has been significant interest from potential buyers.

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. June 6, 2017

MOTION: To approve the minutes of June 6, 2017, as written

Motion made by Moriarty, seconded by Levenson, so voted unanimously.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers

This item is postponed to the next meeting with the full Commission in attendance.

VII. NEW BUSINESS - None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. made by Brady, seconded by Moriarty, so voted unanimously.

Todd Brady, Secretary Historic District Commission

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